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SUBJECT: LONG-TERM DEFENSE PROGRAM: TOR CONSIDERATIONS

REF: (A) STATE 125556 (DTG 312351Z MAY 77), (B) USNATO  
4237 (DTG 271740Z MAY 77), (C) USNATO 4452 (DTG 311735Z  
MAY 77)

SUMMARY: OUR VIEWS ON TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR) DEVELOP-  
MENT GENERALLY COINCIDE WITH THE APPROACH OUTLINED IN  
REF A. COMMENTS, KEYED TO THE RELEVANT PARAGRAPHS OF  
REF A, FOLLOW. END SUMMARY.

1. GENERAL TOR GUIDANCE (PARAS 1 AND 2). WE AGREE WITH  
THE PROPOSED APPROACH AND BELIEVE THE OUTLINE IN PARA 2  
WOULD SERVE AS AN ADEQUATE INITIAL FRAMEWORK FOR TASK  
FORCES TO DEVELOP THEIR INDIVIDUAL TORS. IT WOULD BE  
HELPFUL, HOWEVER, TO IDENTIFY THE NEED FOR TASK FORCES  
TO DETERMINE AND PROJECT REQUIREMENTS FOR THEIR  
INDIVIDUAL PROGRAM AREAS AS AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT IN THE  
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PROCESS OF ANALYZING THE ADEQUACY OF AND DEFICIENCIES  
IN CURRENT AND PROJECTED PLANS. WE SUGGEST, THEREFORE,  
THAT THIS BE SPELLED OUT IN TOR GUIDANCE.

2. TRADE-OFFS (PARA 4). WE AGREE THAT THE FIRST STAGE  
IN REPROGRAMMING ALLIANCE ASSETS IS FOR TASK FORCES TO  
EXAMINE TRADE-OFFS WITHIN THEIR PROGRAM AREAS AND WE

CONCUR IN THE NEED TO CONSIDER SUBSEQUENTLY PRIORITIES AND TRADE-OFFS BETWEEN PROGRAMS AND WITHIN NATIONAL PROGRAMS. AS WE NOTED IN REF B, PARA 7, THE LATTER EFFORT WILL REQUIRE DETAILED ANALYSIS OF NOT ONLY THE INDIVIDUAL LONG-TERM PROGRAMS BUT ALSO OF NATIONAL PLANS IN THEIR ENTIRETY. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS EFFORT TO MESH COUNTRY PLANS AND LONG-TERM PROGRAMS WOULD BE A LOGICAL FOLLOW-ON TO MINISTERIAL REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF REPORT ON THE DEFENSE INITIATIVES AT THE SPRING 1978 MINISTERIAL.

3. STANDARDIZATION/INTEROPERABILITY (S/I)(PARAS 5 AND 6). MINISTERS AGREED THAT INDIVIDUAL TASK FORCES SHOULD CONCERN THEMSELVES WITH THE S/I PROBLEM IN THEIR SPECIFIC PROGRAM AREAS (REF C), AND WE CONCUR THAT THE TASK FORCE ON S/I SHOULD ADDRESS THE MORE GENERAL PROBLEM OF S/I. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CNAD STUDY GROUP ON A PERIODIC ARMAMENTS PLANNING SYSTEM (PAPS) HAS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED THREE MEETINGS OF THE GROUP IN JUNE TO EXPEDITE WORK ON THE FIRST PHASE OF THE PAPS STUDY, HARMONIZATION OF EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT SCHEDULES. WE SHOULD BE IN A BETTER POSITION TO COMMENT ON ACCELERATING AND EXPANDING THE WORK OF THE PAPS GROUP AFTER THE JUNE MEETINGS. IN ANY EVENT, THE S/I TOR SHOULD BE BROAD ENOUGH TO ACCOMMODATE THE FORMATION OF AN AD HOC GROUP AT A LATER DATE IF IT APPEARS NECESSARY. BENNETT

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